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STATE FUNDS PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today announced the county has received a state grant for the preservation of its historical aerial photographs.

The New York State Archives has awarded the county a Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund grant in the amount of \$35,280. The grant will allow the Monroe County Department of Environmental Services to create a digital inventory of aerial photographic images and convert those images into a collection of spatially accurate mosaics for use in the county's Geographic Information System (GIS).

"Proper documentation of county land and structures is vital to our history," said Doyle. "Our photography dates back to the 1930's, by storing it electronically we can more accurately track and measure our progress as well as capture a unique and nostalgic view of our community."

The Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund grant will be coordinated through the Department of Environmental Services' GIS Division. The project will involve the creation of a complete photographic digital inventory and GIS registration.

This is the first year that Monroe County has received this grant, which extends through June 30, 2002. The acceptance of the grant is subject to approval by the Monroe County Legislature at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

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